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**SENATOR ALFRED "AL" LAWSON, JR.**

*Democratic Leader*  
6th District

October 12, 2009

Julius Genachowski, Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Genachowski,

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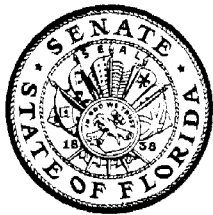
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The Honorable Meredith Attwell Baker  
Federal Communications Commission  
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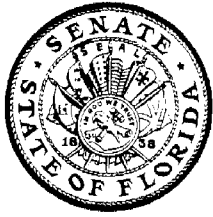
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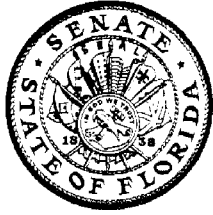
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